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Hon. Anne K. Quinlan Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street SW Washington, DC 20024 September 5, 2008

Re. SIB Finance Docket No. 35147

(and related sub-dockets)

NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY, PAN AM
RAILWAYS, INC., ET AL.

- JOINT CONTROL AND OPERATING/AGREEMENTS —
PAN AM SOUTHERN LLC

Dear Secretary Quinlan

On August 11, 2008, Morristown & Eric Railway, Inc, d/b/a Maine Eastern Railroad ("MERR") filed Comments in the above-reference proceeding, supporting the transaction, but with some reservations. MERR requested that in connection with any approval of the transaction, the Board specifically require the Applicants to adhere to their commitments as set forth in the Application.

Since MERR filed its comments, it has had additional discussions with the Applicants, most recently today. As a result of these discussions, PARI has agreed to provide MERR with additional services that will allow MERR to protect its connections and provide improved service to its customers. Accordingly, MERR now believes that the Board should approve the proposed transaction without any protective conditions for the benefit of MERR.

Respectfully,

cc All persons shown on the attached list

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